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## Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph at the beginning of this Specification with the following amended paragraph:

-- This application is a continuation of application serial number 09/188,358 ontitled
Structure Having Balanced pH Profile and filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on November 10, 1998. The entirety of application serial number 09/188,358 is hereby incorporated by reference. This application is a continuation of U.S. patent application serial number 09/188,358 entitled "Structure Having Balanced pH Profile" filed November 10, 1998, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. patent application serial number 08/989,555 entitled "Structure Having Balanced pH Profile Comprising Acidic Polymer" filed December 12, 1997. This application claims benefit to the filing date of both U.S. patent application serial number 08/989,555. The entirety of both U.S. patent application serial number 09/188,358 and U.S. patent application serial number 09/188,358 and U.S. patent application serial number 09/188,358 and U.S. patent application serial number 09/188,358 are hereby incorporated by reference.